WASHINGTON, DC - U.S. Congressman Mike Pence has cosponsored two bills that will ease the tax burden of working families, family farms and small businesses all across Indiana:

<u>H.R. 1205</u>, the "Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2009 (ABLE) would establish tax-exempt ABLE accounts for individuals with a disability to pay certain expenses, including expenses for education, housing, transportation, employment support and medical care.

<u>H.R. 1919</u>, the "Federal Withholding Tax Repeal Act of 2009" would remove the federal tax withholding mandate, allowing for voluntary federal tax withholding. This would enhance taxpayers' awareness of how much the government takes in federal income taxes and allow them to collect interest on their capital throughout the year rather than temporarily forfeit their earnings to the federal government.

"Any plan that charts the way forward for our nation must include tax relief-the kind that will empower the taxpayer to be able to save and spend as they see fit. This is not the time for massive government spending that will inevitably force tax increases onto the backs of already-burdened Americans," Pence said.